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ASSISTANCE TO SUGARCANE GROWERS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sugarcane growers are unable to produce good crop in the absence of prototype and technical knowledge of production and quality of agricultural fields in the country particularly in Bihar;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the details of assistance being provided by the Government to the sugarcane growers for the development of better sugarcane variety and promote sugarcane cultivation alongwith the main features of the draft of the schemes in the Tenth Five Year Plan, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI AJIT SINGH)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c): Sugarcane Development scheme was implemented in major sugarcane growing States including Bihar. However, since October 2000, the scheme `Sustainable Development of Sugarcane Based Cropping Systems` (SUBACS) has been subsumed under Macro Management Mode of Agriculture alongwith other 26 schemes to give more flexibility to States and implement the programmes on the basis of State`s priorities and requirements. Funds are allocated and released to States in lump sum for Macro Management Mode of Agriculture and not provided on the basis of individual crop.